

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock including face paper, which has an adhesive layer formed on its one side, wherein the face paper has been finished by being in contact with a smooth, hot drying surface for a distance effective for finishing a face paper.
2. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the face paper is uncoated paper.
3. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock includes printing.
4. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock as claimed in Claim 3, wherein the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock further includes text, figures, bar codes or combinations thereof post-printed on the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock.
5. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock as claimed in Claim 3, wherein printing on the face paper of self-adhesive labelstock is done by ink-jet printing, heat transfer, electrophotography or other dye-based printing methods.
6. (Original) A print carrier that includes a face paper especially suitable for self-adhesive labelstock, wherein the self-adhesive labelstock is formed of high-quality chemical pulp fibre by beating at a beating rate of about SR 20 to about SR 40 and by drying the web intended

as paper with a smooth, hot drying surface for a distance effective for finishing a smoothness of the paper, such that the smoothness of the paper is determined by the smooth drying surface.

7. (Original) A face paper for self-adhesive labelstock, wherein the face paper has been finished in with a smooth, hot drying surface effective for finishing a smoothness of the face paper.

8. (Original) A face paper as claimed in Claim 7, wherein the face paper is an uncoated paper.

9. (Original) A method for making a face paper of self-adhesive labelstock, wherein the face paper is finished in contact with a smooth, hot drying surface effective for finishing a smoothness of the paper surface.

10. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 1, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

11. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 1, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

12. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 3, wherein the printing on the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock is text.

13. (Original) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 3, wherein the printing on the face paper for the self-adhesive labelstock is figures.

14. (Original) A face paper for self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 7, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

15. (Original) A face paper for self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 7, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

16. (Original) A method for making a face paper of self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 9, wherein the smooth, hot, drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

17. (Original) A method for making a face paper of self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 9, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

18. (New) A self-adhesive labelstock comprising:
a face paper having an inner surface and a smoothed dried outer surface which is the result of drying and pressing pulp which comprises chemical pulp over a distance and temperature which is effective for providing the outer surface with a finish which is suitable for printing;
an adhesive layer on the inner surface of the face paper;
a release layer; and
a liner layer, the release layer on the liner layer, the release layer laminated onto the adhesive layer.

19. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 18, wherein the face paper is uncoated paper.

20. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 18, wherein the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock comprises printing.

21. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 20, wherein the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock further includes printing selected from the group consisting of text, figures, bar codes and combinations thereof which are post-printed on the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock.

22. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 20, wherein printing on the face paper of self-adhesive labelstock is done by a printing selected from the group consisting of ink-jet printing, heat transfer, electrophotography and dye-based printing methods.

23. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 18, wherein the smooth, dried surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

24. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 18, wherein the smooth, dried surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

25. (New) A method for making a shelf-adhesive face paper, the method comprising:

contacting wet paper made with pulp comprising chemical pulp with a smooth, hot surface for a time and temperature which is effective for providing an outer surface of the face paper with a finished surface for printing, the face paper also having an inner surface opposite the outer surface; and

applying an adhesive to the inner surface of the face paper.

26. (New) The method for making a shelf-adhesive face paper according to Claim 25, wherein the face paper is uncoated paper.

27. (New) The method for making a shelf-adhesive face paper according to Claim 25, wherein the smooth hot surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

28. (New) The method for making a shelf-adhesive face paper according to Claim 25, wherein the smooth hot surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

29. (New) A face paper comprising a paper made from pulp comprising chemical pulp fibre which has been subjected to a beating at a rate of SR 20 to SR 40 and which paper has an outer surface and an inner surface, the outer surface having been finished by pressing it against a smooth hot drying surface for a distance and temperature which is effective for providing a finished outer surface for printing, the inner surface having an adhesive coating.

30. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 29, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

31. (New) The self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 29, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

32. (New) A method for making a shelf-adhesive labelstock, the method comprising:

contacting wet paper made with pulp comprising chemical pulp with a smooth, hot surface for a time and temperature which is effective for providing an outer surface of the face paper with a finished surface for printing, the face paper also having an inner surface opposite the outer surface;

applying an adhesive to the inner surface of the face paper;

coating a releaseable base layer with a release coating to provide a release coated base paper; and

laminating the release coated side of the base layer to the adhesive layer.

33. (New) The method for making a shelf-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 32, wherein the face paper is uncoated paper.

34. (New) for making a shelf-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 32 wherein the smooth hot surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

35. (New) The for making a shelf-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 32, wherein the smooth hot surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.